

MINUTES OF THE  
INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION  
REGULAR BAPTISTS OF  
JESUS CHRIST

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Forty-Eighth Annual Session

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HELD WITH THE  
Powell Church  
Wayne County, Kentucky  
September 3, 4, 5, 1943

## PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Forty-Eighth Annual Session of the Indian Bottom Association of Old Regular Baptist of Jesus Christ in session assembled with the Powell Church, Waynesburg, Lincoln County, Kentucky, September 3-4-5, 1943; met and after singing by the delegates and prayer by Elder David Caudill, the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Ray Whitaker from 2 Timothy, 4 chapter, 2 verse (Preach The Word) who filled the vacancy of Elder L. C. Riddle who was not present.

1. The Moderator then called the house to order and called for the letters from the several churches that composed the Indian Bottom Association which was handed in to the clerk and by move and second to receive the letters that was in regular form and seat the delegates as shown in the table of Statistics, and the requests and queries be referred to the committee on arrangements.

2. By move and second the old officers were retained: Elder G. M. Caudill, Moderator, Elder Caleb Creech, Asst. Moderator, Elder Henry Blair, Clerk, Bro. Dawson Dixon, Asst. Clerk.

3. The constitution Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith was omitted to redeem time.

4. Called for newly constituted churches and received one by the name of Hoover Hill which upon examination found to be orthodox was received into the Indian Bottom Association letter in the hands of Bro. Hays Shepherd.

5. Called for letters from sister associations and received one from union association and a file of minutes by the hand of their delegates to-wit: Elders B. H. Baker, S. T. Wright, Nick Wright and Andy Bates.

Received minutes and delegates from the New Salem but no letter to-wit: Elders Aaron Pack, Monroe Moore, Troy Nicholes and Levi Page.

6. Called for transient ministers and members and received Elder W. B. Mullins, Bros. Silas Caudill, Wilburn Caudill, and Lloyd Day.

7. On motion the moderator was authorized to make all temporary appointments during this sessions of the association.

8. Appointed a committee on Ministry consisting of one member from each church together with the entire delegates from the Powell Church consisting of the following to-wit: J. M. Blair, Jeff Whitaker, Coleman Winstead, Francis Owens, Riley Fouts, Dixie Ison, Henry Caudill, Willie Fields, D. D. Halcomb, John Hampton, Arthur Dixon, Hiram Campbell,

Bob Blair, Charles Bauldredge, James Whitaker, Noah Eldredge, J. P. Mullins, Ester Cornett, Ira McKnight, Willie Walters, James Caudill, John Madden, Nathan Young, N. M. Eldredge, Newton Cornett, A. C. Craft, J. H. Brewer, C. C. Bates, David R. Caudill, Perry Tackett, Willie Mullins and A. C. Caudill.

9. Appointed same committee on arrangements as on ministry except one delegate from Powell church.

10. On Motion Elder Henry Blair and Bro. Dawson Dixon was appointed to write the corresponding letters to our sister Association to-wit: New Salem and Union.

11. Called on committee on ministry to report who reported to be on the stand Saturday.

1. L. D. Francis, 2. Aaron Pack. 3. B. H. Baker

12. On motion and second the association adjourn until 9 o'clock Saturday.

13. Then the moderator called the committee on arrangements together for the purpose of taking up the question of Secret Orders which was brought up from the Indian Bottom church, which was discussed before the Committee.

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1943**

Met pursuant to adjournment and after singing and prayer by Elder Caleb Creech the Association proceeded as follows:

1. Called the roll and marked the absentees.  
2. Called for transient Ministers and members and received none.

3. On motion the ministers chosen on the stand was excused.

4. Called on committee on arrangements to report which reports reads as follows to-wit: We the committee do agree and advise all churches of the Indian Bottom Association to comply with order heretofore made in regard to Secret Order. James Whitaker one of the committees.

5. Appointed a committee on finance consisting of Bro. David R. Caudill, James Whitaker and Riley Fouts, who reported the sum of \$136.91 which they received from the several churches and by move and second Elder Henry Blair was appointed Secretary and Treasurer and to superintend the printing of the minutes and that he have 3,000 copies printed and to reserve 250 for each sister association.

6. Appointed same committee on ministry as of yesterday to report who should be on the stand for Sunday.

1. Caleb Creech, 2. Tip Cornett, 3. Cullen Hogg, 4. G. M. Caudill.

7. Letters to sister association was read and received and delegates appointed to-wit: New Salem, to-wit Elders James Caudill, G. M. Caudill, Geo. Hagans, Henry Blair, L. D. Francis, Joe Hagans, Caleb Creech, Bros. Willie Fields, Dewey Fields.

To Union, Caleb Creech, Cullen Hogg, G. B. Ison, Tip Cornett, Geo. Hagans, L. D. Francis, G. M. Caudill, Henry Blair, Bros. Nich Everidge, Hiram Amburgey.

8. Called on Brethern who was appointed to attend union meeting and associations to report who reported and those who failed to attend was excused but advised to be more cautious next time.

9. Called on the treasurer to report which report shows as follows:

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| Balance on hand September 5, 1942 .....  | \$ 32.92 |
| Amount received from churches 1942 ..... | 128.80   |

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| Amount in hand of Treasurer 1942 ..... | \$ 161.72 |
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| Sept. 24-42, trans. for L. D. Francis and Joe Hagins to Union and New Salem ..... | \$ 6.00 |
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| James Caudill and Geo. Hagins to Union and New Salem ..... | 7.50 |
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| Nov. 11-42 Paid for printing minutes ..... | 75.00 |
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| Nov. 11-42 Clerk fees ..... | 20.00 |
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| Postage and trans. .... | 7.49 |
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| Total Expenses ..... | \$115.99 |
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| Bal in hand of Treasurer ..... | \$45.73 |
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Report was read and received by the Association.

**10—UNION MEETINGS, MAY 1944**

Little Home Church—1st Saturday and Sunday to attend Elders Aaron Hogg, Cullen Hogg, Dan Day.

Little Bethlehem Church—2nd Saturday and Sunday, to attend Elders H. D. Caudill, G. M. Caudill, Dan Gibson, Aaron Pack, Henry Blair.

**JUNE 1944**

Dry Fork Church—1st Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elders Ray Whitaker, Kirby Ison, James Collins.

Sandlick Church—3rd. Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elders Caleb Creech, G. B. Ison, Tip Cornett.

Carrs Fork Church—4th. Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elders Aaron Pack, McKinley Gelispie, W. S. Tolivir, L. D. Mosley, B. H. Baker, Bob Baker, G. M. Caudill, Geo. Hagans.

### JULY 1944

New Bethlehem Church—1st. Saturday and Sunday in July to attend, Elders Jim Caudill, and Dan Gibson,

Big Leatherwood Church—2nd Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elder Tip Cornett, and Geo. Hagans.

New Home Church—2nd. Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elders L. C. Riddle, Cullen Hogg, Hays Shepherd, Dixie Iosn, Henry Blair, Elam Hale, David Maggard, and G. M. Caudill.

Tolson Creek Church—4th. Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elders J. W. Pratt, Dixie Ison, Cullen Hogg, S. T. Wright, and Caleb Creech.

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### AUGUST 1944

Cedar Grove Church—4th Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elders Caleb Creech, S. T. Wright, and Geo. Hagans.

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### JUNE 1944

Mallet Fork church,—3rd. Saturday and Sunday in June to attend Elders Geo. Hagans, London Francis, G. M. Caudill, Aaron Pack with the moderator of the Mallet Fork Church.

May 1st. Saturday and Sunday to attend, Elders Aaron Pack, Cullen Hogg, B. H. Baker and Dan Day. The church that called for these brethren failed to give the church, so advise them who it was.

11. Called on Elder Caleb Creech who was appointed last year to write a circular letter to report, who reported. Letter read and received by the association to be printed in our minutes.

12. On motion, Elder Archie Craft was appointed to write a circular letter for 1944 session of the Association.

13. On motion the association will be held with the Cedar Grove Church, Hallie, Letcher county, Ky. to commence on Friday before the first Saturday in September 1944 and continuing the two following days.

On motion, Elder Geo. Hagans was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder G. B. Ison be his alternate.

15. On motion the association was closed by prayer by Elder Henry Blair, then the association was adjourned to the time and place of our next association. Done and designed by order of the Association.

Elder G. M. Caudill, Moderator  
Elder Caleb Creech, Asst. Moderator  
Elder Henry Blair, Clerk  
Bro. Dawson Dixon, Asst. Clerk.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 5 1943**

The brethern appointed on the stand met with a large congregaton and after singing the brethern preached in the following order.

1. Elder Caleb Creech, text Jeremiah 6 chapter and 16 verse (Thus sayeth the Lord stand ye in the ways and see and ask for the old paths where is the good way and walk therein and ye shall find rest for your souls:) Text \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Elder Tip Cornett, Text 2 Timothy, 4 chapter and 2 verse (Preach the word; Be instant in season out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine).

3. Elder Cullen Hogg, Text, Genesis 24 chapter and 27 And he said blessed be the Lord God of my master Abraham who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I being in the way, the Lord led me to the house of my Master's brother.

4. Elder G. M. Caudill, Text, Psalms 9, chapter, 17 verse (The wicked shall be turned into hell and all nations, that forget God.

I, the clerk failed to be present at the close of the services on Sunday but I am sure from the text these brethern preach from, was in unity and if blessed by the spirit of each brother, had wonderful text to preach from each one had text enough if they was blessed by the Spirit of God to preach, to save a perishing world if they would only believe I want to add further that we the Indian Bottom Association want to thank the good people round and about Waynesburg, Ky., for their kind treatment which they shown us through the three days of session. May God be bountiful in bestowing two fold to each Brother and Sister and kind friends who so patiently and willingly shown their friendship and kindness to the many delegates and friends who was present in this session of the association.

So may God in His tender mercies bless us to meet in another session like this one as all things worked for good.

So this ends the Forty Eight Session.

Henry Blair, Clerk.

**CIRCULAR LETTER**

**Dear Brethern and Sisters Who Compose The Indian Bottom Association:**

I was chosen at your last Association to write a "circular letter" to be read for approval or rejection by the delegates of our next Association, which will be held with the Powell Church, Lincoln County, Kentucky. Dear Brothers and Sisters; I feel very unworthy in the great task which you have asked me to do and I am sure I will be unable to write a letter that

will be profitable to the great cause of Christ and his Kingdom without the Spirit of God, and after praying over this matter and thinking what subject I could write on, I feel led to write on this subject. "Shepherds Feed The Flocks."

Dear Brethern, you will find my Text in 34 chapter of Ezekiel, and a part of the 2nd Verse; Thus sayeth the Lord God unto the Shepherds woe be to the Shepherd of the Sheep and who is the Shepherd of the goat family. That is one of the great problems of today among so called Christians. Christ said "My sheep hear my voice and they do follow me and a stranger they will not follow. Dear Brethern, the time has come for us to decide between sheep and goats and between shepherds and goats. You will find in the 34th chapter of Ezekiel what the goat shepherds done for the sheep, they are the fat and clothed themselves with the wool but they feed not the sheep. They have scattered the sheep and caused them to wander through the mountains and on high hills. They have scattered the sheep upon all the face of the earth; therefore, O, ye shepherds of the Lord hear the word of the Lord God; Brethern we have saw the sheep scattered abroad by the wrong shepherds, and I must say by the Word of God that a shepherd must be a man sent from God before he can feed the sheep. Many have run in the name of shepherds but they scattered the sheep and God has said in His word, I will feed them with Judgment, and as for you O my Flock I will judge between cattle and cattle and rams and the goats. Just as sure as there is a sheep family there is a goat family, and God has said in His word "Ye have thrust with your side and your shoulders and have pushed all the disease with your horns. Dear Brethern, I am proud of you brethern whom God has made shepherds over the flock. You can feed the sheep when God blesses you to preach the Gospel, but the goat family can't eat that kind of food, they claim to be sheep but they can't eat sheep food, they claim they are going to Heaven, how can a man see the Kingdom of Heaven except he is converted and born again, Christ said "I am the door and by me if any man enter in he shall be saved and all that climb up some other way the same is as a thief and robber, and I must say by the word of God, no thieves and robbers will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but they will have their part in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone except they repent, and I feel like Dear Brethern, the time has come when we should not shun to declare the whole Council of God, the enemy hates the truth and will rebuke it because he loves darkness rather than the light. He will not come to the light because his deeds are evil. Dear Brethern and Friends, who may read my letter if you are unsaved, I want you to repent and make Heaven

your home, you can't get to Heaven any other way. You may be a member of some church and yet be unsaved, you must be born again. You can get in the church without being born again, I don't want to judge any one, the Bible says by their fruits ye shall know them. There are just two classes of people, saved and unsaved and two places to go, Heaven or Hell, and two places for the people here on earth, in the Church of Kingdom or in the World, and Dear Friends, if you are still in the World you need to be killed dead to the world and made alive in Christ Jesus, then you will not be ashamed of the true church and the shepherds of the Lord. Dear Brethern; I must close my letter by saying to you Shepnerds, be on the watch for the sheep and keep the gaps laid up for the enemy is always looking for gaps so as to get among the sheep, and I have given you a few proof along what the goat family will do. We have always had them and they will be here when Christ comes back again, but thanks be to God they can't catch the sheep, they can only scatter them, but when they hear the voice of the Lord they will all come home. Dear Brethern, I hope we can all meet at the Association with hearts full of love and I hope the Lord will bless us with a great Service. We as preachers should not shun to declare the whole Council, and I think we have the greatest Kingdom to live in that however been given to the children of God, and Dear Brethern, if I never meet you again here on earth I hope to meet you in heaven where we will surround the throne of God and walk the streets of Gold and praise the Lord forever more, and may God bless all the Brothers and Sisters of this great family and Association till we meet again.

Written By Your Elder Brother  
**CALEB CREECH**

#### **ARTICLES OF FAITH**

1. We believe in the one true and living God, and notwithstanding there are Three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, yet there is but one in substance, equal in power and glory, not to be divided and impossible to change in principle or practice.
2. We believe the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the true written Words of God and were given by inspiration of God and there is a sufficiency in them contained for our instruction and they are the only faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and that men sinned since the fall and are by nature the children of wrath.
4. We believe in the impotency of inability of man



recover themselves out of the state they are in; therefore, a Saviour is absolutely needed.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe in the preservance of the Saints that through grace they are born again and adopted into the family of Heaven; that they become equal heirs with Jesus Christ in glory, and that He will raise them up at the last day.

7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Gospel Ordinances; that true believers are the proper subjects and we admit no others.

8. We believe that the true mode of baptism is by immersion, to baptize a person by their own consent, back foremost in water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

9. We believe that washing of one another's feet is a commandment of Christ, left on record with His disciples, and ought to be practiced by his followers.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general Judgment when all will be judged according to their deeds done in the body.

11. We believe the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal after death.

12. We believe that no one has a right to administer the gospel ordinances but such as are legally called and qualified there unto.

13. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to attend church meetings, and that it is the duty of the church to deal with them for neglecting the same.

14. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to contribute to the support of the church by defraying all reasonable expenses of same, never neglecting the poor, according to their several abilities.

15. We believe that any doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge the people in their sins or to cause them to settle down on anything short of saving grace in Christ for salvation is erroneous and such doctrine will be rejected by us.

16. None of the above articles shall be construed as to hold with particular election or reprobation as to make God partial directly or indirectly so as to injure children of men.

17. No one of the above articles shall be altered without legal notice and free consent.

#### **RULES OF DECORUM**

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with pray-

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2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one member shall speak at a time, and shall rise from his seat when about to speak.

4. The person speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to his subject and in no wise reflect on the preceding speaker, but shall define his ideas on the proposition for debate as far as he can.

6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of same.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any subject without permission of the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have liberty to laugh during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.

9. No member shall address another by any other name or term than that of "Brother".

10. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the clerk and called over as the Association may require.

11. The Moderator shall not interrupt or prohibit a member from speaking until he gives his views on the subject, unless he shall have violated the Rules of Decorum.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as another member, provided the chair be filled, but he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided. In that event he shall give the casting vote.

13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of these rules shall be reprimanded by the Association as it may think proper.

## CONSTITUTION

Having by unanimous voice changed our organization from an Annual Union Meeting to an Association, we therefore propose to keep the order and rules of an Association according to the following form of government:

1. The Association shall be called the Indian Bottom Association.

2. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

3. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their full number in fellowship those baptized, received by letter, restoration, application dismissed, excluded and deceased since our last Association.

4. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical powers over the churches nor shall they infringe on any of the rights of any of the churches in the union.

5. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum.

6. The Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

7. New churches may be admitted into the Union which shall petition by letter and delegates and if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

8. Every church in the Union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

9. Every query presented by the church to the Association, being first debated in their own churches shall come under the consideration of the Association.

10. Every motion made and seconded shall be considered by the Association except it be withdrawn by the party who made it.

11. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an Association fund for defraying the expenses of the same for the raising of which we think it the duty of each church in the Union to contribute such sums voluntarily as they think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association, and the amount so received shall be deposited with the Treasurer, who shall be responsible to the Association and pay same out as the Association may direct.

12. There shall be an Association Book kept in which the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by the Secretary.

13. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected if need be and signed by the Moderator and clerk before the Association arises.

14. Amendment to this plan of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Union when they so desire.

15. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association. The best method of effecting same shall be determined by the Association.

16. All matters coming before the Association shall be

decided by will of the majority of the members present except in receiving and dismissing churches and Associations, which shall be by unanimous vote.

17. The Association shall have power to decide for the General Union of the churches and to preserve an inviolable chain of communion among same, giving churches all necessary advice in matters of church difficulty; inquire into the cause why any church shall have failed to represent itself at any time in the Association; appropriate the money received to any purpose it may think proper; appoint any member, or members, by their consent, to transact any business which it may think necessary; withdraw from any church in the Union which may violate any of the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion, admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association, and to adjourn to any time or place it may deem necessary.

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#### LILLIE WALLEN

It is with a sad heart and feeling that I attempt to write an obituary of my beloved sister, Lillie Wallen, the daughter of Dan Gibson and wife. She was born June 23, 1912. Deceased January 16, 1940, age 28 years.

She was married to Clinton Wallen January 22, 1933. Under this union were born two children, one girl and one boy. Both are still living. She was taken sick and taken to the hospital where an operation was performed and only lived eight days. During her sickness she prayed continually and said she had been praying for four years. Her father visited the hospital and asked her if she was prepared to meet her Lord in peace. She told her father, "Daddy, I have had a vision, the Lord appeared before me standing by an evergreen tree, one that never wilted nor never died. Daddy, I saw you standing there with him. She asked him what to think about the vision she had seen. He told her you ought to know more about your condition better than I do."

Then it was again, her father went back to the hospital to see her on the night before she died. She told her father that Mother begged you children to do right and when she was that she was all right. Don't grieve over me and tell Mama to meet me there.

She left her husband, two children, Father, Mother one brother and three sisters to mourn her loss.

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#### RHODA TAYLOR

It is with much unworthy feeling, I will attempt to write

the obituary of Sister Rhoda Taylor. She was the wife of Bro. A. J. Taylor. Sister Taylor was born January 21, 1880, deceased May 17, 1943. Age 63 years. 3 months and 7 days. To this union were born 7 children—3 girls and 4 boys who were left to mourn her loss. She joined the Carrs Fork Church July, 4th Saturday, 1919 and lived a faithful member.

Sister Taylor and Bro. A. J. Taylor, her husband lifted thin letters in full fellowship from the Carrs Fork Church on the 9-4-1941 to establish a church at Reynolds Fork in which church she had fellowship until death. Sister Taylor was stricken with a stroke of paralysis and was on her sick bed for 3 months, while on her sick bed Bro. Taylor, her husband ask her if she knew she was going to heaven and she said she was praying continually and only had hopes of going to Heaven. Dear Children, we are left without a good wife and mother and I want to ask you boys and girls, if you want to meet Mother again get right with God in this life and you can meet Mother. again where there will never be any more sickness, trouble or death, so may God bless me to live to see all our children make peace with God and follow in his footsteps. You know that Mother beg you children to do right and when she was gone to fill her seat in the church.

I hope to hear of some of you children filling that request is the prayer of your unworthy servant.

**Dedicated by Bro. A. J. Taylor, written by Henry Blair.**

#### **SARAH TUTTLE**

It is with a sad heart and unworthy feeling that I attempt to write a sketch of the life and death of a dear sister in the Lord to-wit: Sarah Tuttle. She was born January 15, 1878, died March 16, 1943. She was born near the head of Troublesome Creek, Mallie, Ky. and lived all her life at the same place and in the same home. She was the wife of Brother George Tuttle and the mother of two sons. Dr. Chester Reynolds of Philadelphia, Pa. and Herman Tuttle who is now in the U. S. Army. Sister Sarah joined thte Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ and was baptized in to the fellowship of the New Home church on the second Saturday in September 1938 and after the Reynolds Fork was organized, she lifted her letter and laid it in with the Brother and Sister of the Reynolds Fork Church.

Sister Sarah leaves 2 sons, 1 sister, 1 brother and a host of friends with the brothers and sisters of the church to mourn their loss, but we believe that our loss is her eternal gain. We believe that her soul is resting with God while her body is mouldering back to dust from whence it came to rest

till God shall descend with the voice of the arch angel and the dead in Christ shall rise first, thence believe Sister Sarah's body, the same body that was laid in the grave will get up and be changed into a glorious body and fashioned like Christ's body, then both soul and body will ever be with God in that Heavenly home where all tears will be wiped away where wars, sickness, pains and sorrows cannot come.

A Little Brother in Hope

**ELDER MURRELL SLONE**

**HENRY B. CAUDILL**

Elder Henry B. Caudill, born February 10, 1853, deceased September 11, 1942, age 89 years, 7 months and 1 day. He was married to Louisa Sumner in 1878. To this union were born 4 children, 3 girls and 1 boy. Two girls and the boy preceded him in death. He joined the old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, was baptized by Elder James D. Caudill and was a faithful member for about forty years. He was also ordained a minister December 5, 1931. He leaves only one daughter, Sister Susan Fields to mourn his loss. She stayed by his bedside day and night till the last minute. He is sadly missed by hundreds of friends, brethren and sisters who regarded his Christian life and godly conversations as a model and a bright and shining light to mankind. We feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

our Brother In Hope of Eternal Life

**H. D. CAUDILL**

**ISAAC NEWTON LEWIS**

It is with much unworthy feeling that I attempt to write about my father Isaac Newton Lewis, who departed this life January 15, 1943.

He was the oldest son of John J. Lewis and Clerinda Kelly Lewis and was born in January 16, 1871.

He was married to Lizzie Fairchild, April 24, 1889. To this union were born seven children, Ollie, Maggie, Willie, Ray, Lena, Johnnie and Ethel. Only three are now living— Mrs. Maggie Cornett, Ray and Mrs. Lena Crawford.

His wife departed this life June 17, 1920.

On June 20, 1923 he married Mrs. Lucy Jane Stidham who still survive him.

Being deeply interested in education and the betterment of humanity, he prepared himself for a teacher in early life. Taught in the public schools a number of years, was also a civil engineer surveyor for the county several years. Also a farmer and capable of doing many different kinds of work.

He read the Bible a lot and was blessed with the rare gift of understanding, lived simply and humbly, was a consecrated Christian. Member of Owen Fork Regular Baptist Church. Enjoyed worship, singing and praising God. Orten had services in his home. Was clerk of Indian Bottom Association several years. Always faithful in attending church, even with failing health.

For years he was afflicted with Diabetes. He bore his suffering with much patience and silence, only looking forward to his release from misery, pain and woe, and to his entering into the beautiful home which God revealed to him that he should share. Of all the good things that can be truthfully said of a man, I feel that they can be said of my father.

Truly he was a good man.  
"Go on brethern, go rejoicing,  
Some glad day we will all arise,  
In His likeness, we'll be shining  
Then we will all be satisfied."

**MAGGIE L. CORNETT**

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**SARAH CORNETT**

I will try to write a short sketch of dear Mother, Sarah Cornett, better known as Sallie Cornett was born November 20, 1847, deceased July 9th, 1942, age 94 years, 7 months and 19 days old. She was married to William Cornett in the year of 1867 or 1868, who proceeded her in death January 15, 1940. He was 91 years old. She was the daughter of Rollen Eversole.

And to this union were born 11 children, 8 boys and 3 girls. 2 proceeded her in death while infants.

She joined the old Regular Baptist Church at the age of about 18 years old. She was a faithful member as long as she was able to attend church, the last 8 years of her life she was in bad health. She laid in her bed 2 1-2 years. She was a hard working woman and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves 9 children, one sister who is 98 years old and a host of friends and grandchildren to mourn her loss. Now children if you want to see mother again, live the life mother did. By so doing you can live again, where there will be no separations. Mother is alive and alive for evermore. Father and Mother has lived a life it took to go to Heaven. Now Brothers and Sisters all of you that haven't made peace with the Lord to get on that highway that leads to Father and Mother in Heven.

Written by her son,

**HARRISON CORNETT**

### JOHN AMBURGEY

In loving memory of my dear husband John Amburgey, was born February 21st, 1861, departed this life April 15, 1942. Being 81 years, 1 month and 24 days old. He professed a hope in Christ and joined the Carrs Fork Church in 1909 was baptized in the fellowship of that church by Elder Ira Combs. He loved clean fellowship. He was taken with some fatal disease and was sick about 5 months. He grew worse until the end came. At the time of his death he had his fellowship with the Little Bethlehem Church, he grew stronger, more devoted to his Christian duty, his love for the church was great. He told me that the Lord came to him one night and carried him to the top of a high mountain and sat him down on a big white stone and flew off and left him on that stone. He said there is nothing in my way between me and the Lord, he said I have been praying for God to let me live to see the rest of my children come out on the Lord's side then I would be satisfied. A little while before he went away I asked him what he wanted he said nothing. He said anyone as near Christ as I am, don't need anything, then he asked Martha to do something for him she asked him if he wanted water and he said no. He said I am drinking of that fountain that never runs dry. He leaves a lonely widow and six children who stayed by his bed through all his sickness. We all did all we could to ease his suffering body but God in his wisdom and mercy on the night of April the 15 said it is enough and in obedience to the God of all good and perfect gifts his soul took its flight out of this sin cursed world to a land of eternal joy and peace. I pray the Lord will thunder from Mount Sinai to the awkening and alarming of those that are dead in trespass and in sin, that they may behold the lamb of God through faith that they may live in hope of a joyful resurrection after this life is over that body that was planted down in the cold grave. God Almighty knows the spot where it is sleeping. I believe that soul that left the earthly house is resting under the altar of God, no pain, just a waiting angel that will come at God's command when the voice of that trumpet shall shake the earth by his mighty power. All the sleeping saints will arise and meet the Lord mid way in the air and go to the final resting place there to sing praise throughout eternity. The prophet Isaah said they dead men shall live together with my dead body, shall arise, awake and sing ye that dwell in dust for the dew is as the dew of herbs and the earth shall cast out the dead. Dear Brothers and sisters in the Lord, pray for me when it goes well with you, that we may meet again.

Written by a sad and lonely widow

**MARLAND AMBURGEY**



### JASPER ISON

Jasper Ison was born November 7, 1868 and fell a sleep in Jesus care, on June 19, 1943 at the hour of 6:30 o'clock Saturday morning, at the age of 74 years, 7 months and 12 days old.

He was married to Siller Gilley on April 28, 1892 and to this happy union were born 14 children, 4 babies have preceded them in death. We have heard him say he had been living in hopes for 21 years. He joined the old Regular Baptist Church July 26 and was baptized the 27, 1941. His wife Siller joined the church November 26 and was baptized the 26, 1911.

He always loved his church and had always filled his seat as far as he was able to go. He always talk to his children. He wanted them to go to church and prepare their souls for better homes. He told his wife sometime ago, when his time to go he wanted to die praying, but when his time came, he was alone, no one heard his last words. He walked off from his home as well as usual not realizing his time was so close and when we went to him he was gone, not leaving his family any warning but we hope and trust he is with Jesus.

The day before he died he was singing as he usually did. 'He was singing a song , This World Is Not My Home.

Besides his wife and family, he has one brother, Jobe Ison and one sister Polly Brashear to mourn his loss.

We are broken hearted to have our father to leave us and no longer on earth to see, though we are glad his suffering is over no more sorrow or pain, to bare and we feel he has a better home awaiting and we hope to meet him where we will never part again.

The service was held in his home and conducted by Elder Caleb Creech, Dan Day, John D. Ison, Albert York and Silas Frazier, his body was laid to rest near his home, we realize our lost is His eternal gain.

Written by his wife and Children

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### ORDAINED MINISTERS

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| Henry Blair .....    | Pinetop, Ky.    |
| Nelson Seals .....   | Carr Creek, Ky. |
| W. M. B. Smith ..... | Bath, Ky.       |
| Thomas Caudill ..... | Hollybush, Ky.  |
| Eleam Hale .....     | Bath, Ky.       |
| Cullen Hogg .....    | Cumberland, Ky. |
| David Maggard .....  | Cumberland, Ky. |
| Denver Blair .....   | Cumberland, Ky. |

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| Caleb Creech .....      | Cumberland, Ky.           |
| Tip Cornett .....       | Blackey, Ky.              |
| T. G. Fields .....      | Waynesburg, Ky.           |
| D. R. Caudill .....     | Waynesburg, Ky.           |
| D. B. Day .....         | Dongola, Ky.              |
| C. C. Bates .....       | Waynesburg, Ky.           |
| Albert R. York .....    | Whitesburg, Ky.           |
| James Caudill .....     | Whitesburg, Ky.           |
| Kirby Ison .....        | Whitesburg, Ky.           |
| Hays Shepherd .....     | Bigstone Gap, Va.         |
| Harrison Boggs .....    | Kings Creek, Ky.          |
| John D. Ison .....      | Oscaloso, Ky.             |
| Frank Fugate .....      | Fisty, Ky.                |
| Riley Fouts .....       | Lynch, Ky.                |
| L. C. Riddle .....      | Premium, Ky.              |
| Ray Whitaker .....      | Premium, Ky.              |
| Wess Caudill .....      | Premium, Ky.              |
| J. W. Pratt .....       | Cornettsville, Ky.        |
| Dixie Ison .....        | Cornettsville, Ky.        |
| G. M. Caudill .....     | Hallie, Ky.               |
| H. B. Caudill .....     | Eubanks, Ky.              |
| A. C. Craft .....       | Millstone, Ky.            |
| James M. Adams .....    | Jeremiah, Ky.             |
| Alvie Caudill .....     | Carbon Glow, Ky.          |
| J. E. Callahan .....    | Conway, Ky.               |
| W. C. Dixon .....       | R. 1., Mt. Vernon, Ky.    |
| Geo. B. Ison .....      | Skyline, Ky.              |
| Geo. Hagans .....       | Vico, Ky.                 |
| Joe Hagans .....        | Red Fox, Ky.              |
| L. D. Francis .....     | Red Fox, Ky.              |
| Dewey Hampton .....     | Red Fox, Ky.              |
| N. T. Maggard .....     | Leburn, Ky.               |
| Dan Gibson .....        | Vest, Ky.                 |
| W. B. Mullins .....     | Crab Orchard, Ky.         |
| H. D. Caudill .....     | Carcossonia, Ky.          |
| Crit Eldridge .....     | Carcossonia, Ky.          |
| Evon Cuald .....        | Disney, Ky.               |
| Willie Madden .....     | Keokee, Va., R. 1, Box 79 |
| Dan Noble .....         | Anco, Ky.                 |
| Harrison Williams ..... | Vest, Ky.                 |
| Isaac Ritchie .....     | Talcomb, Ky.              |
| W. M. Tyree .....       | Crown, Ky.                |
| J. W. Caudill .....     | Carr Creek, Ky.           |
| F. F. Sumner .....      | Jeff, Ky.                 |
| Murrill Slone .....     | Garner, Ky.               |
| Lawrence Sumpter .....  | Partridge, Ky.            |

Beckham Fields ..... Carcossonne, Ky.  
H. B. Fouts ..... Fouts, Ky.

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**NAMES OF CHURCH CLERKS and THEIR ADDRESS**

1. Carrs Fork, Henry Blair ..... Pine Top, Ky.
2. Poor Fork, Flora Gellen ..... Cumberland, Ky.
3. Big Cowen, John D. Fields ..... Cumberland, Ky.
4. Clear Creek, Martin Patrick ..... Tina, Ky.
5. Owen Fork, Lawrence Jenkins ..... Partridge, Ky.
6. Big Leatherwood, Floyd Huff ..... Cornettsville, Ky.
7. Indian Bottom, Dawson Dixon ..... Blackey, Ky.
8. Mallet Fork, Willie Fields ..... May, Ky.
9. Hurricane Gap, P. H. Whitaker ..... Delphia, Ky.
10. Sandlick, A. C. Craft ..... Millstone, Ky.
11. Doty Creek, Oscar Back ..... Jeremiah, Ky.
12. Conway, W. C. Dixon ..... R. 1 Mt. Vernon, Ky.
13. Cedar Grove, Esquire Watts ..... Hallie, Ky.
14. Little Home, James Hagans ..... Sassafras, Ky.
15. New Home, Chas. Bauldridge ..... Leburn, Ky.
16. Powell, Perry Tackett, ..... Waynesburg, Ky. R. 3
17. Clover Fork, J. H. Brewer ..... High Splint, Ky.
18. Ingrahams Creek, James Whitaker .... Roxana, Ky.
19. James Memorial, James D. Fields .... Carcossonne, Ky.
20. Pilgrims Rest, Virgie Claud ..... Disney, Ky.
21. Meadow Fork, Milton Napier .. R. 1 Box 79 Keokee, Va
22. New Bethlehem, Martin Patrick ..... Tina, Ky.
23. Little Daniel, Watson Sexton ..... Sockett, Ky.
24. Maple Grove, J. P. Mullins ..... Flagtop, Ky.
25. Dry Fork, Reedy Tyree ..... Crown, Ky.
26. Little Bethlehem, John W. Mullins .... Amburgey Ky.
27. Reynolds Fork, Murrell Slone ..... Garner, Ky.
28. Tolson Creek, W. R. Crase, Ass't. .... Roxana, Ky.
29. Hoover Hill, Ambers Kelly ..... Keokee, Va.

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**NAMES OF CHURCHES and DELEGATES**

Carrs Fork—J. M. Blair, Henry Blair, Nick Everidge,  
Jasper Mullins and W. M. B. Smith.

Poor Fork—Cullen Hogg, Martin D. Collier, Jeff Whit-  
aker, and Susie Hogg.

Big Cowen— F. G. Fields, Dan Day, Hays Shepherd,  
Isaac Fields, and Coleman Winstead.

Clear Creek—Francis Owens.

Owen Fork—Riley Fouts, Lawrence Sumpter, Willis Mullins, Jack Crager and Lawrence Jenkins.

Big Leatherwood—J. W. Pratt, Bob Logan, Dixie Ison and Elijah Ison.

Indian Bottom—G. M. Caudill, Roy Whitaker, Dawson Dixon, Leander Eldredge, and Henry Caudill.

Mallet Fork—Willie Fields, Ira Honeycut, T. G. Cook and Irvin Amburgey.

Hurricane Gap—H. C. Cornett D. D. Halcomb and L. W. Ingrams.

Sandlick—A. C. Craft.

Doty Creek—John Hampton, Mose Adams, Sylvester Jent, Henry Hampton and Alva Caudill.

Conway—Arthur Dixon, and Tommie Dixon.

Cedar Grove—Geo. B. Ison, Hiram Campbell, and A. S. Eldredge.

Little Home—Geo. Hagans, L. D. Francis, Bob Blair, Lewis Hagans, and Dewey Hagans.

New Home—Dan Gibson, and Chas Bauldredge.

Powell—C. C. Bates, David R. Caudill, Perry Tackett, Willie Mullins, and A. C. Caudill.

Clover Fork—J. H. Brewe and Paul Clutts.

Ingrahams Creek—James Whitaker, John D. Cornett, and Kirby Ison.

James Memorial—H. D. Caudill, Crit Elderidge, Beckham Field and Noah Eldredge.

Pilgrims Rest—Evans Cloud, and Estes Cornett.

Meadow Fork—Ira McKnight.

New Bethlehem—Willie Walters.

Little Daniel—John Madden and Abby Madden.

Maple Grove—J. P. Mullins and Nola Mullins.

Dry Fork—Nathanal Young.

Little Bethlehem—J. W. Caudill, and Hiram Amburgey.

Providence—Not Presented.

Reynolds Fork—Newton Cornett, and A. J. Taylor.

Tolson Creek—N. M. Eldredge, and Tip Cornett.

Little Dove—Not Presented.

Little Zion—Not Presented.

Hoover Hill—Letter presented by Hays Shepherd.

**FORM OF CHURCH LETTER**

We, the church of Jesus Christ of Regular Baptist Faith and order, now in session with the .....  
..... Church, being found in love and fellowship, sendeth greetings, our Christian love and salutation to the ministers and messengers that may compose the .....  
..... Association, when convened with the .....  
..... Church .....  
County, State of ..... to commence on Friday before the .....  
Saturday in Sptmbr, ..... and the two following days.

Dear Brethern, we are glad that we can correspond with you, and we have chosen these, our beloved Brethern, to bear this our letter to you, to-wit: .....

Dear Brethern, received our letter and these, our brethren, to sit with you in all your advisory council. May the Lord bless you in all your work. We are at peace among ourselves.

The state of our church is as follows: Number of Ordained Ministers .....  
..... Names and postoffice .....  
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Received by experience and baptism .....  
Received by Letter ....., Restored .....;  
Excluded .....; Dismissed by letter .....;  
By recommendation .....; Died .....;  
Total Membership .....; Money sent .....;  
Meeting time ..... Saturday and Sunday in each month; Postoffice address Church, Clerk .....  
County of ..... State of .....

Dear Brethern, pray for us, that Zion may have traveling spirit among us.

Done and signed by order of church,  
Elder ..... Moderator  
Brother, ..... Clerk

|                  | Rec. by Ex. & Bap | Rec. by Letter | Rec. by Restoration | Rec. By Reconn. | Died | Dis. by Letter | Excluded | Total Membership | Meeting Time | Money Sent |
|------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|------|----------------|----------|------------------|--------------|------------|
| Carrs Fork       | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 5              | 0        | 102              | 4            | 8.00       |
| Poor Fork        | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 1    | 1              | 0        | 100              | 3            | 8.00       |
| Big Cowen        | 8                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 3    | 1              | 1        | 160              | 4            | 10.00      |
| Clear Creek      | 2                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 91               | 3            | 5.00       |
| Owen Fork        | 7                 | 3              | 1                   | 0               | 1    | 1              | 1        | 185              | 2            | 7.00       |
| Big Leatherwood  | 5                 | 1              | 1                   | 0               | 1    | 3              | 1        | 88               | 2            | 5.00       |
| Indian Bottom    | 3                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 2    | 1              | 0        | 77               | 1            | 5.00       |
| Mallet Fork      | 3                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 1        | 43               | 3            | 4.50       |
| Hurricane Gap    | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 1    | 1              | 0        | 32               | 2            | 3.50       |
| Sandlick         | 1                 | 1              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 46               | 3            | 5.00       |
| Doty Creek       | 8                 | 0              | 1                   | 0               | 3    | 2              | 0        | 83               | 2            | 8.00       |
| Conway           | 1                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 2    | 0              | 0        | 16               | 1            | 4.00       |
| Cedar Grove      | 0                 | 2              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 1              | 0        | 36               | 4            | 5.10       |
| Little Home      | 4                 | 4              | 1                   | 0               | 2    | 0              | 0        | 91               | 1            | 6.00       |
| New Home         | 2                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 56               | 2            | 5.00       |
| Powell           | 1                 | 3              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 1              | 1        | 51               | 3            | 7.00       |
| Clover Fork      | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 4              | 1        | 54               | 1            | 4.00       |
| Ingrahams Creek  | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 33               | 1            | 3.81       |
| James Memorial   | 5                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 1        | 36               | 3            | 4.00       |
| Pilgrims Rest    | 1                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 2        | 15               | 4            | 2.00       |
| Meadow Fork      | 0                 | 1              | 0                   | 1               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 9                | 2            | 1.50       |
| New Bethlehem    | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 1        | 39               | 1            | 4.00       |
| Little Daniel    | 11                | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 1    | 0              | 0        | 33               | 2            | 3.00       |
| Maple Grove      | 1                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 1    | 1              | 0        | 6                | 3            | 2.00       |
| Dry Fork         | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 18               | 1            | 2.50       |
| Little Bethlehem | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 30               | 2            | 6.00       |
| Providence       | Not Represented   |                |                     |                 |      |                |          |                  |              |            |
| Reynolds Fork    | 0                 | 1              | 0                   | 0               | 2    | 0              | 0        | 10               | 3            | 3.00       |
| Tolson Creek     | 6                 | 5              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 17               | 2            | 6.00       |
| Little Dove      | Not Represented   |                |                     |                 |      |                |          |                  |              |            |
| Little Zion      | Not Represented   |                |                     |                 |      |                |          |                  |              |            |
| Hoover Hill      | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0               | 0    | 0              | 0        | 7                | 3            | 2.00       |
|                  | 69                | 21             | 4                   | 1               | 19   | 22             | 9        | 1564             | 1 to 4       | \$136.91   |

